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Ancient Gold Coins

GREEK

MACEDON, Philip II. 359-336 B. C. Stater. Head of Apollo/Biga. Ext. Fine and fine style.....100.00

-- Alexander the Great 336-323 B. C. Stater. Helmeted head of Athena/Victory. MM Trident. Choice Ext. Fine.....75.00

-- -- Similar, MM "MP" in wreath. Ext. Fine.....75.00

-- -- Similar, MM Wheel. Ext. Fine.....75.00

-- -- Similar, MM Fulmen. V. Fine.....60.00

-- -- Similar, MM Cornucopia V. Fine.....60.00

THRACE Lysimachus, 323-281 B. C. Stater. Deified head of Alexander the Great, with horns of Anmon/Athena seated holding Victory. Lysimachus' name on reverse. V.Fine....75.00

EGYPT Ptolemy I as King. 305-285 B. C. Pentadrachm. Diademmed head right. Eagle on fulmen. "AP" in monogram. Choice Ext. Fine.....135.00

-- Ptolemy II, 285-246 B. C. Octodrachm. Conjugated heads of Ptolemy II and wife Arsinoe/Heads of Ptolemy I and Bernice. Ext. Fine, well centered and good style.....250.00

-- -- Tetradrachm, similar to preceding lot. Smaller but much scarcer. Ext. Fine.....150.00

GREEK

-- Arsinoe II (wife of Ptolemy II) 270-246 B.C. Octodrachm. Veiled head right. Year K which dates the coin exactly 261 B.C. A lovely specimen in Ext. Fine condition...235.00

CARTHAGE Abt. 360 B. C. Stater in Fine gold. Head of Persephone/Horse V. Fine.....60.00

-- -- Similar but with light scratch on reverse.....40.00

-- -- Similar but struck in electrum. Fine.....37.50

ROMAN

JULIUS CAESAR 58-54 B. C. Aureus. Veiled head right/Religious implements. Reverse slightly off-center. V. Fine.....60.00

OCTAVIUS AUGUSTUS 29 B.C. - 14 A. D. Aureus. Laureated head right/Caius and Lucius, adopted sons of Augustus. V. Fine, rare.....87.50

TIBERIUS 14-37 A. D. Aureus Laureated head/Livia seated. This is the Tribute Penny struck in gold. Ext. Fine.....75.00

CLAUDIUS 41-54 A. D. Aureus Laureated head right/Paci Augustae. Winged Mercury with snake. Ext. Fine....85.00

NERO 54-68 A. D. Aureus Laureated head/Jupiter enthroned. Gem Unc.....125.00

Gold Coins Of Europe

SPECIAL

FRANCE, 3rd Republic 50 Francs 1904. CW 2. Dupre type. Unc, rare. Auction records over $100.00.....85.00

-- Same, Abt.Unc.....75.00

FRANCE 100 Francs 1935. Bazor type. CW 5. Rare, Cat. $50.00. Br.Unc.....35.00

-- Same 1936, Unc.....40.00

GERMANY

HAMBURG 20 Marks 1876 J. Proof.....22.50

-- 10 Marks 1876 J. Excessively rare in any condition. Proof.....50.00

MAINZ Ducat 1780. St. Alban beheaded. Rev. Donkey in shield. Very rare, Proof.....35.00

MECKLENBURG-SCHWERIN Frederick Franz IV, 10 Marks 1901 A. CW 78. Br. Proof, extremely rare.....35.00

METZ (City of) Goldgulden, no date. St. Stephen with palm. Fine.....12.50

NORDLINGEN Goldgulden (1500) Saint with Holy Lamb. Fine.....12.00

NUREMBURG 1/16 square Ducat (1700) Unc.....10.00

PALATINATE Carl Theodore, Rhinegold Ducat 1767 S. Bust right; view of Manheim. Unc.....27.50

EVOLUTION OF CANADA'S CURRENCY

The vast country of Canada has seen much rapid development and commercial activity during the past decades. In the early days of the country's upbuilding, however, the progress consisted of bringing under cultivation vast areas of fertile land; and in the northern parts with the trade with those who trapped and hunted the wild fur bearing animals. The trade of the Hudson's Bay Company was carried on by barter and seldom with coin. There came a time, however, in the trade of the country when money and not barter was demanded.

The issue of an adequate coinage was a very slow process, and the various coins which constituted the coinage were very mixed being for the most part somewhat of a token currency, although most of the issues were "by authority."

The local banks began to assume a position in the business of the country, and assisted trade by the issuance of tokens; many of these interesting pieces are scarce, especially in uncirculated condition, a condition very important in copper tokens, the beauty of which is mainly in their fine condition, worn specimens being of lesser value in comparison.

It was not until 1876 and the issue of cents, that the copper currency of the Dominion was put on a proper basis, and which may be termed the modern coinage of Canada established. -Pelbe

EARLY COUNTERFEITERS

Hamilton, Ont. - Canadian counterfeiters have beaten the government to the punch. Bogus $10 bills carrying a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II have turned up in several stores here. The government's currency still carries the portrait of the late King George VI.

CANADIAN DOLLARS

1935-1953 Complete date set. Both types of 1947. Unc, in special plastic holder.
15 pc. set....$57.50

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Same, Ext. Fine to Unc, not in holder. Still a choice set. Only.....$37.50

Gold Coins Of Europe

PRUSSIA Wilhelm I, 5 Marks 1878 A. Scarce date, Ext. Fine..... 6.00

-- Frederick 20 Marks 1888 A. Unc.....15.00

-- -- 10 Marks 1888 A. Unc..... 7.50

-- Wilhelm II, 20 Marks 1888 A. Small eagle, choice Br. Proof. Very rare....40.00

SAXONY Albrecht the Courageous, Florin d'or (About 1500) Fine..... 9.00

-- Albertine Line Ducat 1619. Elector mounted. Twelve lines of inscription. Fine.....10.00

-- -- Double Ducat 1630 Centennial of Augsburg Confession. V.Fine.....27.50

-- -- John George II Ducat 1657. Elector mounted. V. Fine.....12.50

-- Coburg Saalfeld Ducat 1749, struck from Saale gold. Ext. Fine, proof surface.....17.50

-- Coburg Gotha, Alfred 20 Marks 1895 A. Br. Proof very rare.....60.00

-- -- Carl Eduard, 20 Marks 1905. CW 132. Perfect Br. Proof, very rare....60.00

-- -- Same, Br.Unc.....40.00

TRIER Falkenstein (1388-1418) Goldgulden. St. John standing. Fine.....10.00

WEIMAR REPUBLIC Hindenburg medallic 5 Marks 1927, (100 marks size). Struck in gold to commemorate his 80th birthday. Unlisted; perfect Br. Proof.....90.00

-- -- Medallic 20 Marks 1928. Head left. Unlisted. Br. Proof.....25.00

-- -- 10 Marks, similar. Br. Proof.....17.50

-- Medallic 20 Marks 1929. Conjugated heads of Zeppelin, Eckener and Durr/Map of the world commemorating around the world flight. Rare and unlisted. Br. Proof.....30.00

WURTTEMBERG Wilhelm Ducat 1848. Ext.Fine..... 8.75

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GELDERN Karl Egmond (1492-1538) Goldgulden. V.Fine.....15.00

-- Philip II (1555-1598) Philip d'or, bust right. V. Fine.....20.00

GREECE Prince Otto 20 Drachma 1833. Ext. Fine.....20.00

-- George I, 20 Drachma 1884. V. Fine plus.....15.00

HOLLAND Ducat 1849, Proof surface.....15.00

HUNGARY Leopold Ducat 1696. King standing. Ext.Fine.15.00

-- -- Ducat 1699, similar. Br. Unc.....20.00

-- Charles VI Ducat 1738. Emperor standing/Madonna and child. Abt. Unc.....17.50

-- Marie Theresa Double Ducat 1765. Full length figure of Empress in robes. Ext. Fine.....25.00

ITALY (Kingdom) Napoleon I, 40 Lire 1812 M. V.Fine..27.50

-- Victor Emanuel III 100 Lire 1923 R. Head left/ FASCES. CW 8. Abt.Unc..85.00

-- -- 20 Lire, similar. CW 9. Abt. Unc.....20.00

LIECHTENSTEIN Franz Joseph II 20 Francs 1946 B. Br. Unc rare.....20.00

-- -- 10 Francs, similar. Br. Unc.....12.50
The Pair.....30.00

LUCCA Scudo d'or 16th Century Crowned bust of St. Vultus. Scarce, Fine.....12.50

LUCERNE (Switzerland) 100 Francs 1939. CW 52. Choice Unc.....50.00

MALTA Pinto 10 Scudi 1763. St. John with lamb. Abt. Unc.....20.00

MILAN Conrad 15th Century Scudo d'or. V.Fine 12.50

-- Philipp II Doppia 1588. Crowned bust right. Rare, Fine plus.....25.00

MONACO Charles III 100 Francs 1884 A. Head right. These coins were struck mainly for use at the famous Casino at Monte Carlo. Abt.Unc...92.50

-- Albert I, 100 Francs 1891 Head left. Abt. Unc...85.00

MONTENEGRO Nicholas I, 20 Perpera 1910. Head left. CW 5. Abt. Unc.....25.00

-- -- 10 Perpera, same. CW 6. Unc.....17.50

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Gold Coins Of Europe

NAPLES Alfons II (1494-1495) Ducato d'or. Crowned bust/ Shield. Fine example of renaissance style. Very Fine, rare.....60.00

-- Charles V (1519-1556) Doppia commemorating the Insurrection against the Inquisition. Bust right. Very Fine, very rare...50.00

NETHERLANDS Campen, Ferdinand and Isabelle Ducat (1474-1504) "C" between busts facing. V.Fine.....25.00

-- Wilhelmina 10 Guilders 1898. Young head with coronet. Abt. Unc,rare.25.00

-- -- 10 Guilders 1932 Unc.....12.50

PAPAL STATES Pius XI, 100 Lire 1929. Unc, scarce.....27.50

PARMA Marie Louise 40 Lire 1815. Bust left. V.Fine, with proof surface.....30.00

PLACENTIA (Italy) Rainutius Doppia 1618 ($10.00 size) Head left/Crown over wolf. Fine and very rare.....50.00

POLAND August II (1694-1733) Double Ducat. Sporting implements/Fox. Ext. Fine.....27.50

-- -- Coronation Ducat 1697. Arm with sword. V. Fine.....12.50

-- August III 5 Talers 1754 Crowned bust. V.Fine..15.00

-- -- Ducat 1757. Draped bust as King of Poland. Ext. Fine,rare.....25.00

-- Revolution Ducat 1831. Dutch type with Polish eagle. Proof but slightly bent.....22.50

PORTUGAL Sebastian (1557-1578) Cruzeiro. Fine and scarce.....12.50

-- Louis I 10,000 Reis 1881 V. Fine, scarce.....40.00

-- -- 10,000 Reis 1884. V. Fine.....37.50

ROUMANIA Carol I, 20 Lei 1883. Abt. Unc.....20.00

-- -- 20 Lei 1888, scarce date. Abt. Unc.....22.50

-- -- 100 Lei 1906 commemorating 40 years of reign. CW 1. Choice Proof...150.00

-- -- Same, Abt.Unc...90.00

ROUMANIA Carol 1, 20 Lei same as above. CW 2. Unc.....22.50

ROUMANIA
Carol I, 1906

Commemorative 50 Lei, bust in military uniform/King on horseback. CW 4. Larger than $20.00 gold but thinner. Catalogues $50.00.
Ext. Fine, Special 40.00

-- -- Same, Fine to V. Fine.....35.00

ROUMANIA 12½ Lei, same type as above. Ext. Fine, special..... 9.00

-- Ferdinand I 20 Lei 1922. CW 22. Unc, very rare..50.00

RUSSIA Nicholas I, 5 Roubles 1852. Unc.....22.50

-- Alexander II 5 Roubles 1862. Unc.....20.00

-- -- 5 Roubles 1863. Unc.....20.00

VIKINGS' "OPEN SESAME" TO COINAGE

Probably never in the history of numismatics has one country supplied another group of nations with almost her entire output of coinage, and keep her mints going full blast, and worked so hard over such a long period of time to produce the hard specie, as did early 10th century Britain for the powerful sea-rovers, the Vikings of Scandinavia.

Recent discoveries coupled with old ones reveal that the Vikings of Norway, Denmark, and Sweden used and exchanged more new English coins than did the English themselves, and came at regular periods on coinage expeditions to collect their new supplies of money.

Back in the year 981 Prince Sweyn, son of the King of Denmark, banished from the kingdom after a quarrel with his father, gathered a large company of warriors and descended upon England. It was more of an experiment to test the unity and spirit of the Britains than a conquest, but the English were so weak that Southampton fell quickly without much resistance. London and Chester soon followed,

VIKINGS' "OPEN SESAME" (Continued)

Finally in 991, the Britains under Ethelred, lost the great battle of East Anglia, and the beaten monarch had recourse to the fatal expedient of purchasing peace. The payment agreed upon was 10,000 pounds of newly minted coins and silver bars.

When the Danish king was killed in battle with insurgents in his own country, Sweyn ascended the throne, and formed an alliance with money loving Olaf of Norway. Coins were scarce in Norway, and Olaf liked the English mintage, especially the manner in which they could be obtained. Together the two Viking leaders raided the southern coasts of England. Ethelred was obliged again to pay off his enemies who demanded 16,000 pounds of specie He put more Britains to work in his mints in an effort to supply the price of peace.

Ethelred's military forces had so declined in fighting the Vikings, that it was but a short while later he was obliged to prevent being overrun by the Danes to the tune of 24,000 pounds. To meet this tremendous burden, Ethelred was forced to impose the Dane-geld, a taxation upon the Saxon yeomanry.

Some recent diggings in Norway have brought to light hundreds of old English coins issued by the following ancient British kings, - Canute the Great, Edward the Martyr, Coenwulf of Marcia, Ceolwulf, his son, Northumbrian, and Eawred. Norway of those days produced fewer individual coins of their own than any other Viking country, due mainly to the large amount of English currency, and to the melting down of their specie for various reasons and uses.

Norway's earliest medium of value as coin was the Baug (ring). This contained spiral rings of gold weighing about one and one-tenth pounds. Also used were silver spiral rings weighing about six ounces each, looking more like bracelets than money. Later reckonings were made by marks and aurar. One mark was 8 aurar (1 ounce); one eyrer was divided into eight ortugar, and one ortug into ten or sixty penningar.

- Clarence M. Fink

Gold Coins Of Europe

RUSSIA Alexander II, 5 Roubles 1864. Unc....20.00

-- -- 5 Roubles 1865 Unc.....20.00

-- Alexander III 10 Roubles 1894 (weight of 15 Roubles) Br. Unc.....35.00

SARDINIA Charles Felix 80 Lei 1825. Head left. Abt. Unc.....50.00

-- Same 1826, Abt. Unc.50.00

-- Same 1827, Abt.Unc..50.00

-- Same 1828, Abt.Unc..50.00

-- Same 1829, Abt.Unc..50.00

-- Same 1830, Abt.Unc..50.00

SERBIA Milan Obrenowitz (as Prince) 20 Dinars 1879 Abt. Unc.....30.00

-- -- (as King) 20 Dinars 1882. Ext. Fine.....20.00

-- -- 10 Dinars 1882. Fine..... 9.00

SPAIN Ferdinand and Isabelle (1474-1504) Double Ducat. Toledo Mint. Busts facing. This coin is of particular interest to American collectors because it is one of the few coins having a portrait of Queen Isabelle who financed Columbus' expedition which resulted in the discovery of America. V. Fine.....50.00

-- -- Double Ducat, same type struck at Segovia. V. Fine.....50.00

-- -- Same, struck at Seville Mint. V.Fine...45.00

-- -- Ducat, same type, Seville Mint. Ext.Fine..35.00

-- -- Same, V. Fine....27.50

-- Charles and Johanna, (1516-1536) Ducat. Cross of Jerusalem. V.Fine...15.00

-- -- Same, Abt.Fine...10.00

-- Philip II (1556-1598) 4 Scudos. Seville Mint. V. Fine.....35.00

-- -- 2 Scudos, Toledo Mint. Fine.....17.50

-- -- 2 Scudos, Seville Mint. V. Fine plus.....20.00

-- -- 1 Scudo, Fine....10.00

-- -- 4 Scudos 1592, Seville Mint. V. Fine and sharp for this rare early date coin.....50.00

-- Philip III (1598-1621) 2 Scudos. Abt. Fine....10.00

SPAIN Philip IV (1621-1665) Doubloon of 8 Scudos, Seville Mint. Cob type. Exceptionally choice specimen of this rare coin. Ext. Fine.....250.00

-- Charles II (1665-1700) Scudo for Mallorca. Fine and rare.....20.00

-- -- ½ Scudo, same type. Fine and rare.....17.50

-- Philip V Doubloon 1721 S.J Cross of Jerusalem/Arms. Irregular planchet but completely reeded. V. Fine, a bargain in real pirate money.....75.00

-- -- Doubloon 1729, Seville Mint. Similar but in the highest state of preservation. Abt. Unc, with mint lustre.....125.00

-- Charles III Doubloon 1787 C.M. Seville Mint. Choice V. Fine.....67.50

-- Ferdinand VII, 2 Scudos 1813 G. J. Laureated bust in uniform. Unc, rare..27.50

-- -- 2 Scudos 1832. Ext. Fine.....12.50

-- Alfonso XIII 20 Pesetas 1889. Baby head. Abt. Unc.....20.00

-- -- 20 Pesetas 1890. Similar. Ext. Fine.....17.50

-- -- 20 Pesetas 1892. Boy's head with long hair. Similar to silver coins of this date, but extremely rare and unlisted in gold. Unc.....100.00

-- -- 100 Pesetas 1897. Boy's head, only date of issue. Ext. Fine, special.....87.50

-- -- 20 Pesetas 1899, same type. Ext.Fine...17.50

-- -- 20 Pesetas 1904, bust in military uniform. Ext. Fine to Abt. Unc, rare.....62.50

SWEDEN Oscar II 5 Kroner 1881 or 1882, Unc, ea.. 8.00

-- -- 20 Kroner 1884, Unc.....25.00

-- -- 5 Kroner 1886, Unc..... 8.00

-- -- 20 Kroner 1887 or 1889. Unc, each.....25.00

-- -- 5 Kroner 1894, 1899 or 1901, Unc, each..... 8.00

-- Gustaf V, 5 Kroner 1920 Unc..... 8.00

Gold Coins Of Europe

TRANSYLVANIA Gabriel Bethlem Double Ducat 1628. Bust right. Choice Ext. Fine and rare.....50.00

-- Ferdinand I Ducat 1837 Semi-proof.....12.50

UNTERWALDEN Ducat 1787. Nicolaus de Flu in prayer/ Inscription. Br.Proof..25.00

UTRECHT Goldgulden. St. Martin enthroned. Fine.....10.00

VENICE 20 Lire 1848. V. Fine plus.....18.00

WEST FRISIA 6 Stuivers 1748 Crowned Arms/Three-masted boat. Choice Semi-proof 35.00

WHY THE BIBLE CALLS A ROMAN DENARIUS A "PENNY"

In the days of King James I of England pennies were in common use. He is the king who caused to be made our popular and splendid KING JAMES VERSION of the BIBLE. Search a concordance of the King James Version and you will find the penny mentioned eleven times -- all in the New Testament..

Consider the money symbols of England, "L. s. d.," for pounds, shillings, pence. Why does "d" represent "pence?" Because England was once a subject of Rome, and down the generations thereafter came the term "d" (denarius) for what, in silver coinage by King James times, was known as the "penny," to the English people.

Naturally, when the learned men appointed by King James I to make a translation of the Scripture, reached the mention of a denarius, it was translated in their English language a "penny."

The King James Version was completed in 1611 A.D. If you can get a penny of the King James reign, you will have a coin of the king who caused the King James Version to be made. But even a penny of some earlier king of England will always stand for you as a clear illustration of why a Roman denarius is called a "penny" in the Bible, and why "d" in England says "pence."

- Florence Aiken Bank